Killings in Jammu and Kashmir

. 1757. SHRI JAGDISH PRASAD MATHUR; Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of the police, B.S.F. and other security force personnel Hilled and injured by terrorists in Kashmir Valley and Jammu regions separately during the current year;

(b) the number of terrorists killed by security forces. during the above period;

(c) the number of intruders from Pakistan arrested and the number of those released and the reasons for their release during the above period; and

(d) the number of bomb blasts and arson in the valley and the Jammu region during the current year? ...'■

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS "(SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): fa) to (d) From the available information, the number of Security Force personnel arid terrorists killed in Jammu and Kashmir during .the current upto 31-7-90 is as under:

(a) Security Force personnel killed by terrorists.

(i) B.S.F.

... (ii) State Police

, .. (iii) Other Security Force personnel 43

■ (b) Terrorists killed by S security (force. 182 ;

2. The State Government of J&K have advised that—

(a) 1,625 persons including intru-,.ders from Pakistan were apprehended'during the current year upto 5 31-7-90, , out of which 475 were released after preliminary verification.

(b) 865 incidents of explosibng 395 acts of arson were committed by militants during current year in the State.

Applications pending for telephone connections in Uttar Pradesh

1758. SHRI SHIV PRATAP MISH-RA Will the Minister of COMMUNI CATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of applica-tions for telephone connections pending in Uttar Pradesh as on 31st July, 1990; and

(b) by when the phones are likely to be provided to the applicants'

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI JANESHWAR MISH-RA): (a) 86712 applications are Pending for telephone connections as on 31st July, 1990 in Uttar Pradesh. "

(b) Expansion programmes, have been proposed' to provide 35500 tele phones during 1990-91 and the.re maining waiting list is likely to .be cleand progressively during the- 8th Five Year Plan.

Curtailment in Postal services

1759. SHRI JAGDISH PRASAD MATHUR: Will the Minister of COM MUNICATIONS be Pleased to state:

(a) whether instructions are being issued to (i) close down Return Letter Offices, (ii) reduce the three-time-a-day delivery of Dak to once-a day, and (iii) transfer to R.M.S. offices to post offices; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor? •

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI JANESHWAR MISH-RA): (a) (i) No Sir, no instructions have been issued to close . down the Returred Letter Offices. Only an experimental decentralisation of ' the